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SUBJECT: JULY 28 RVN STATEMENT ON NEGOTIATIONS

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1. WISH TO CALL DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION TO THE ABOVE REFERENCED FBIS ITEM WHICH TRANSMITS A JULY 28, 1973 "RVN STATEMENT ON FAILURE TO REACH AGREEMENT WITHIN DEADLINE". THE STATEMENT REVIEWS THE NEGOTIATING INITIATIVES ADVANCED BY THE RVN ON APRIL 25 AND JUNE 28, DESCRIBING THEM AS "OPEN-HEARTED, PRACTICAL AND CONCILIATORY PROPOSALS"

TO WHICH "THE COMMUNISTS HAVE ADOPTED A COMPLETELY NEGATIVE AND CONTRADICTIONARY ATTITUDE."

2. THE STATEMENT CHARGES THAT THE COMMUNISTS HAVE "DELIBERATELY EVADED THE FREE, GENERAL ELECTIONS STIPULATED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND CLEARLY REAFFIRMED BY THE COMMUNIQUE OF JUNE 13... IT IS INCREASINGLY APPARENT "THE STATEMENT CONTINUES, "THAT THE COMMUNISTS" TACTIC IS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE CONFERENCE TABLE AS A PROPAGANDA FORUM IN ORDER TO CAMOUFLAGE THEIR PLAN

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TO CONTINUE THE INFILTRATION OF MEN AND WEAPONS FROM THE NORTH..."

THE STATEMENT CONTINUES: "SINCE THE SIGNING OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, SOME 60,000 COMMUNIST TROOPS, 400 TANKS, AND 200 ARTILLERY PIECES HAVE BEEN INFILTRATED..."

3. AFTER RECAPITULATING THE COMMUNIST RECORD OF CEASEFIRE VIOLATIONS, OBSTRUCTION OF THE ICCS, AND FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS FOR RELEASE OF PRISONERS AND DETAINEES, THE STATEMENT CONCLUDES WITH A "VEHEMENT" DENUNCIATION OF THE COMMUNISTS' "STUBBORN AND BELLICOSE ATTITUDE."
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